A RESOLUTION

Councilmember Derrick Boazman

A Resolution opposing the position taken by the Georgia State

-Department of Transportation Board, to decrease the percentage of

contracts to be awarded under its Disadvantaged Business

Enterprise program; and for other purposes

WHEREAS, in 1974 the Georgia Department of Transportation

adopted a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program; and

WHEREAS, this policy allowed small, minority and female businesses which had previously been excluded from projects initiated by the Georgia DOT, to participate in the process; and

WHEREAS, the goal for designated minority firms statewide is eleven (11) percent; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation Board has decided to **lower** the minimum targets for contracts awarded only on the basis of race or gender from eight (8) percent to five point five (5.5) percent; and

WHEREAS, this policy would further disenfranchise minority firms; and

WHEREAS, this policy will further exacerbate the problems already being experienced by small firms who are suffering in a declining economy; and

WHEREAS, the professional staff of the DOT Board, after analysis of the issue, recommended that the minority participation be **increased** to twelve (12%); and

WHEREAS, Governor Barnes has directed the DOT Board to rescind this position; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation, a public agency should be paving the way for increased participation all businesses in the State, with special emphasis on those segments of the population that have been historically excluded.



BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

**ATLANTA, GEORGIA** that it **opposes** the position taken by the Georgia State Transportation Board, decreasing the percentage of minority participation on its State contracts.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Georgia Department of Transportation Board.

A true copy.

ADOPTED by the Council APPROVED by the Mayor

SEP 03, 2002 SEP 11, 2002

Municipal Clerk, CMC

## Atlanta City Council

## Regular Session

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NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 2
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